ABSOLUTE RATING: Good IMPROVEMENT RATING: Excellent

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 37. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating Improvement Rating

2001 Good Excellent

2002 2003

2004

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
Passed all 3 subtests	68.9	67.5	70.8	66.2	70.3	73.5
Passed 2 subtests	16.9	15.3	14.9	17.8	16.2	15.1
Passed 1 subtest	6.2	7.6	11.2	10.0	8.9	7.5
Passed no subtests	7.9	9.6	3.1	5.9	4.6	3.9

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	22.4%	22.5%
at four-year institutions		
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	22.4%	24.1%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	55.3%	54.5%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS						
	Seniors					
	Exit Exam Passage	Eligibility for	Graduation			
Student Group	Rate by Spring 2001	LIFE Scholarships	Rate			
All students	92.7%	22.4%	N/A until 2003			
Students with disabilities other than speech	66.7%	0.0%				
Students without disabilities	94.2%	23.7%				
Gender						
Male	89.0%	18.4%				
Female	96.3%	25.9%				
Ethnic Group						
African American	85.5%	3.0%				
Hispanic	0.0%	0.0%				
White	99.0%	37.0%				
Other	N/A	N/A				
Lunch Status						
Free/reduced-price lunch	83.7%	0.0%				
Pay for lunch	97.4%	28.8%				

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES				
Mastering core competencies	79.7%			
Completers placed	100.0%			
Eligible students enrolled	19.1%			

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

0	ur School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL	ui Scilooi	Last Teal	Like Ours	3011001
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Dollars spent per student	. ,		\$5,662	\$5,668
Prime instructional time	89.7%	Down from 90.6%		90.1%
Student-teacher ratio	24.7 to 1	N/A	26.0 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=773)				
 Advanced Placement/ 	33.3%	N/A	51.1%	40.0%
Int'l Baccalaureate Program				
Exam Success Ratio				
Attendance rate	96.4%	Up from 95.7%	95.2%	95.3%
Retention rate	9.1%	Up from 6.6%	9.4%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=52)				
 Professional Development 	12.4 Days	Up from 6.2	7.5 Days	7.5 Days
days per teacher	•	•	•	·
Attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 95.6%	6 95.9%	95.7%
 Teachers with 	38.5%	Down from 39.6%	6 53.8%	49.4%
advanced degrees				
Continuing	90.4%	Up from 74.1%	83.1%	81.0%
contract teachers		·		
Teachers with	0.0%	No change	3.2%	3.0%
out-of-field permits		3.		
Teachers returning	88.7%	Up from 86.8%	86.3%	85.2%
from the previous				
school year				
Average teacher salary	\$37,248	Up 4.6%	\$38,985	\$38,125
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SCHOOL FACTS

0	School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students	Median High
	CHOOL	Last fear	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
Dropout rate	4.5%	Down from 6.6%	3.0%	2.9%
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	57.4%	N/A	55.7%	56.4%
 Principal's years at the school 	7.0	N/A	3.0	3.0
 Percent of parents attending conferences 	55.2%	N/A	60.1%	60.1%
 Opportunities in the arts 	Excellent	N/A	Excellent	Excellent
STUDENTS				
 Older than usual for grade 	11.1%	Up from 8.8%	9.1%	10.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	42	N/A	27	29
Gifted and talented	8.0%	Up from 4.9%	9.9%	7.4%
With disabilities other than speech	11.7%	Up from 11.6%	10.9%	10.7%
 Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations 	0.0%	N/A	1.7%	4.5%
 Enrollment in career and technology center courses 	148	N/A	397	350
 Career students participating in work-based experiences 	21.7%	N/A	23.7%	23.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

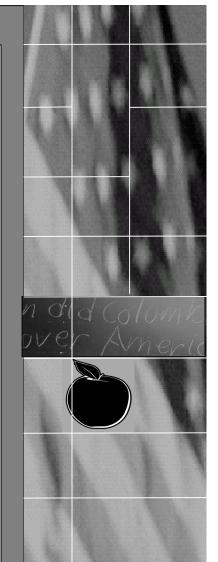
Emerald High School is an inviting student-centered environment which continues to build a tradition of excellence in academics and extra-curricular activities. With high expectations, a strong instructional program, a great staff, supportive parents and talented students, this year was an outstanding one. Among our accomplishments are the following:

- Our school was recognized as a "School of Promise" by SCASA.
- Our school has formed a Professional Development School Partnership with Lander University.
- Through the PDS partnership teachers have received over \$4500 in grant/staff development activities.
- Air Force JROTC received a \$1000 grant enabling us to start a school-wide recycling program.
- Over \$17,000 was donated to local charities by students' services projects.
- Three students were accepted to the Governor's School Summer Programs.
- Three students are currently enrolled in the Governor's School for Math and Science at Coker College.
- 45% of our students participated in extra-curricular activities.
- Our school provided an after-school homework center with transportation for all students.

Through the use of the School Improvement Process self-study for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, we plan to continue to focus on continuous improvement in the areas of:

- Standardized test scores.
- Reduction of the dropout rate.
- School safety.

Charles L. Graves, Principal



Emerald High 150 By Pass 225 Greenwood, SC 29646

Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 773 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School Report Card 2001

School Grade: Excellent

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	92.2	71.7	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	96.1	82.5	
Satisfied with home-school relations	58.8	81.5	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

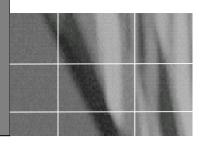
Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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